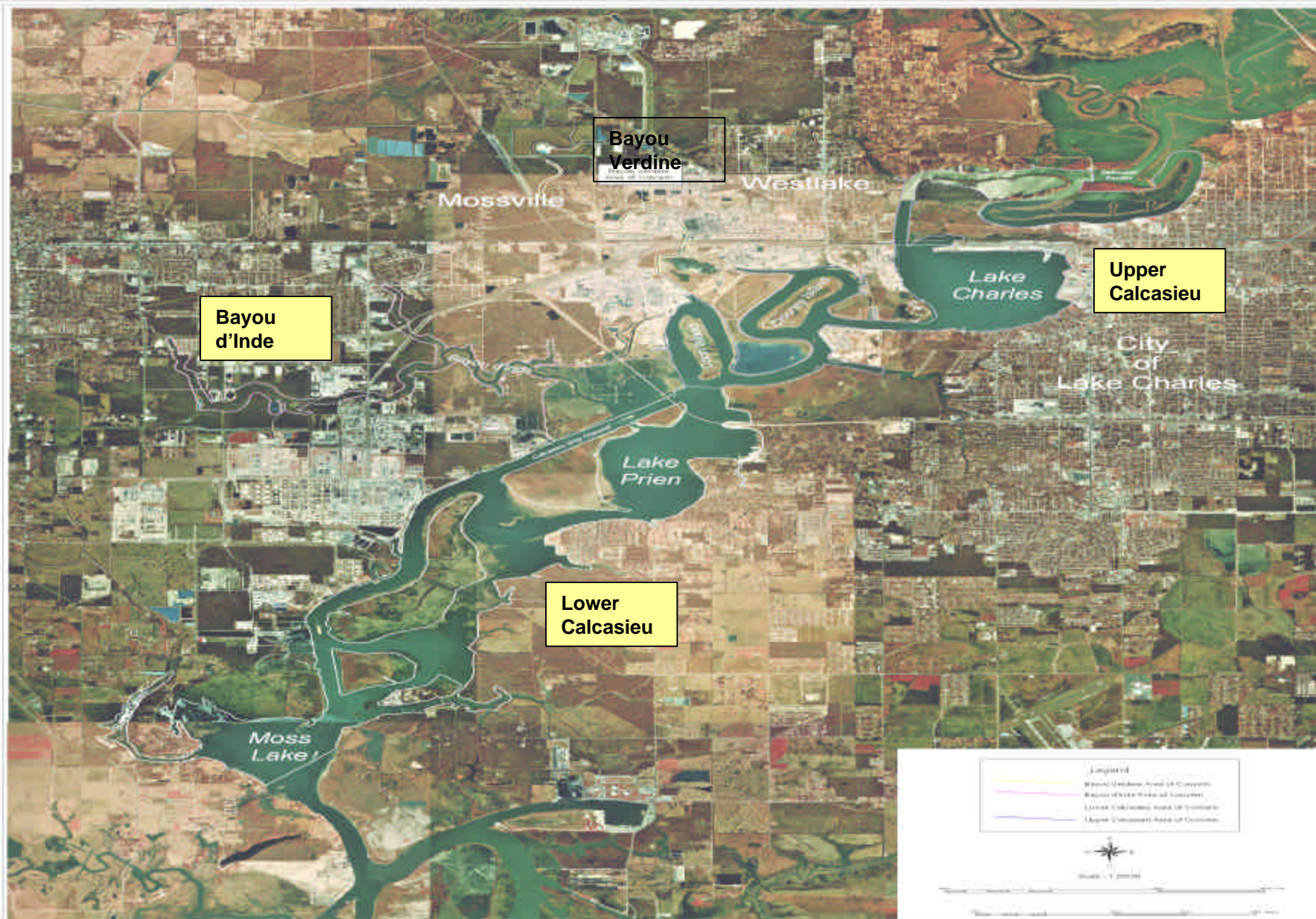


Calcasieu Estuary Community Involvement





Community Concerns

Citizen Issues

- Fishing advisories
- Dioxin exposure



Community Concerns

Local Govt Issues

- Superfund Stigma
- Economic Impact

Industry Issues

- Cost
- Corporate Responsibility



EPA Approach to Estuary Study

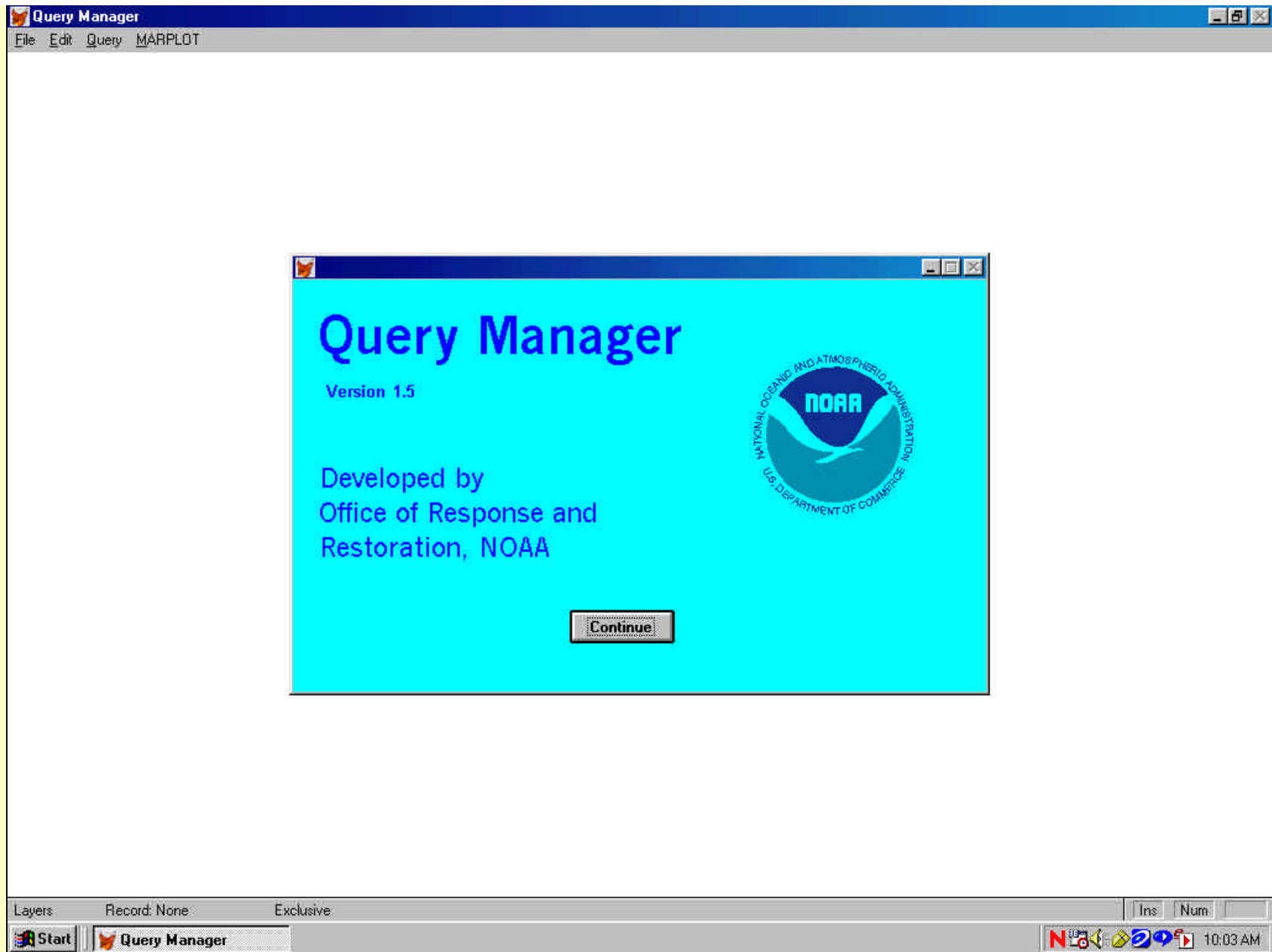
- EPA supported formation of community advisory group led by local government
- Citizen outreach efforts to inform/educate
- EPA continued working relationship with local plant personnel

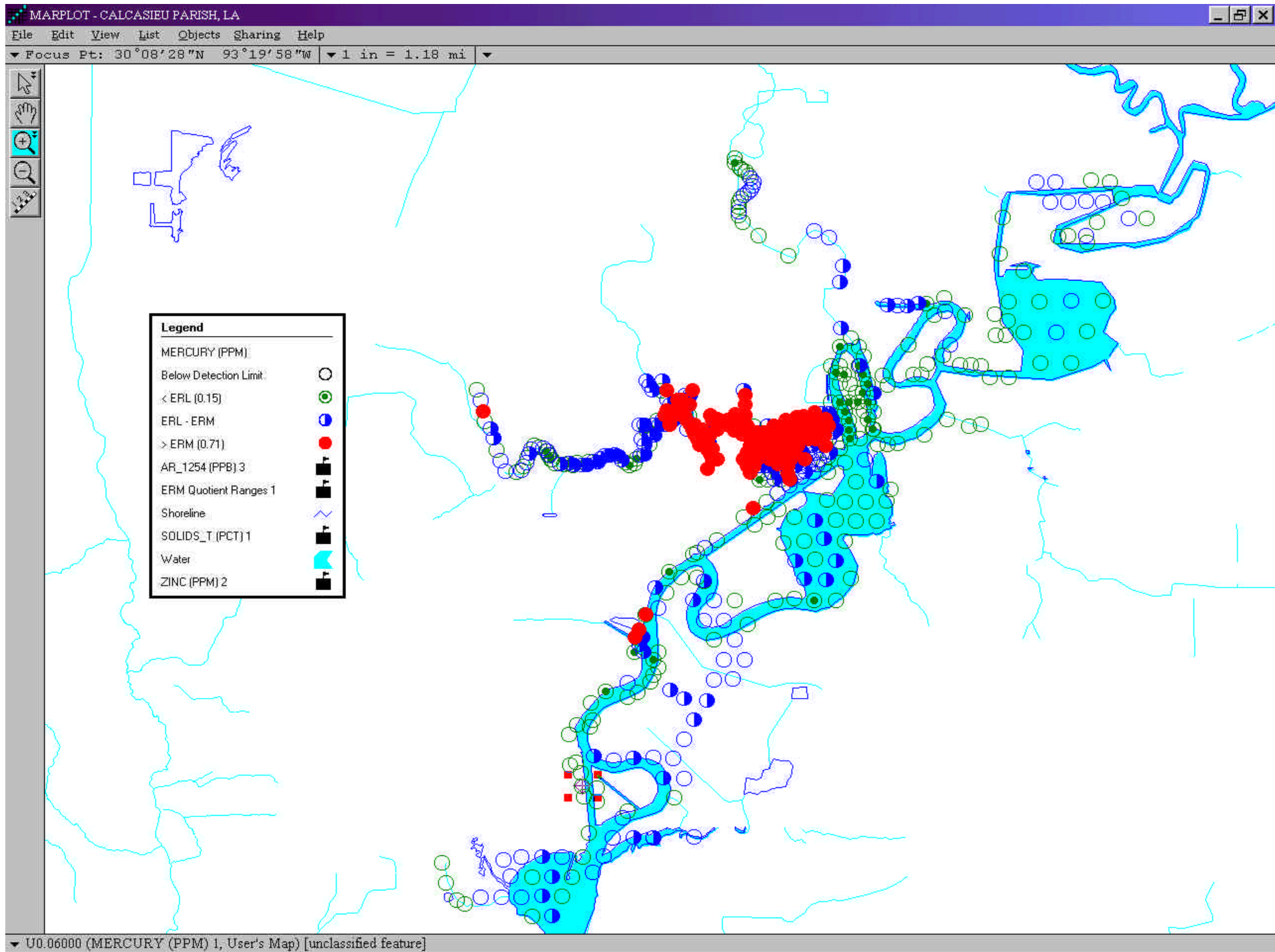
Local Govt Task Force

- Advantages
 - Strong presence of local leaders - government, university and business
 - Inclusion of plant managers
 - Citizen representatives are well respected
 - High profile receives media attention

GRAND OPENING

- Web Site www.epa.gov/region6/calcasieu
- Outreach office
- Workshops





Industry Participation

- Conoco – complete characterization of Bayou Verdine
- PPG – Implemented EPA workplan for collection of biota and sediment (900 samples)
- Olin – Collected/analyzed sediment near their facility (50 samples)
- Informal data collection/analysis agreements



The End